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Signed in Washington, DC, on February 9, 1999.

Ethel D. Briggs,

Executive Director.

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NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: National Labor Relations Board.

TIME AND DATE: 10 a.m., Tuesday February 9, 1999.

PLACE: Board Conference Room, Eleventh Floor, 1099 Fourteenth St., NW., Washington, DC 20570.

STATUS: Closed to public observation pursuant to 5 U.S.C. Section 552b(c)(2) (internal personnel rules and practices); and (9)(B) (disclosure would significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed Agency action * * *).

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Personnel.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: John J. Toner, Executive Secretary, Washington, DC 20570, Telephone: (202) 273-1940.

Dated: Washington, DC, February 10, 1999.

By direction of the Board:

John J. Toner,

Executive Secretary, National Labor Relations Board.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Intent To Establish an Information Collection

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is announcing plans

to request clearance of this collection. In accordance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), we are providing opportunity for public comment on this action. After obtaining and considering public comment, NSF will prepare the submission requesting that OMB approve clearance of this collection for no longer than 1 year.

DATES: Written comments on this notice must be received by April 19, 1999 to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Contact Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 295, Arlington, Virginia 22230; telephone (703) 306-1125x2017; or send email to splimpto@nsf.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title of Collection: Impact of the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis Programs on Scientific Knowledge, Career Development of US Scientists, and US Institutional Capabilities for Research and Policy Development.

OMB Number: 3145-NEW.

Expiration Date of Approval: Not applicable.

Type of Request: Intent to seek approval to carry out a new information collection for one year.

Abstract: "Outcomes and Impacts of Research Programs of the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA)"

Proposed Project: The International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA) in Laxenburg, Austria, is a non-governmental, multilateral research institution created in 1972. IIASA's most recent 10-year strategic plan, adopted in 1992, focuses on research in three thematic areas: (1) Global Environmental Change; (2) Global Economic and Technological Transitions; and (3) Systems Methods for the Analysis of Global Issues. Its core research programs are funded by annual contributions from member countries. Since 1989 the US contribution has been funded by a series of grants from the National Science Foundation's Division of International Programs (NSF/INT). NSF is seeking to identify (1) the impacts of IIASA's research programs on scientific knowledge and on the education and careers of US

scientists, and (2) the impacts of the information and options resulting from IIASA's research on public and private policy-related institutions in the United States.

To achieve these objectives, data will be collected from senior US scientists who have conducted research at IIASA since the current strategic plan went into effect in 1992, and from US scientists who have been participants in IIASA's Young Summer Scientists Program from 1992 through the time the data is collected. Respondents will be asked to respond to questions relevant to such factors as: (1) the impacts of their experience at IIASA on their future scientific work and career development; the impacts of IIASA's research on conceptual developments in their disciplines; and the impacts of the results of IIASA's research on US institutional capabilities for research and policy analysis.

Use of the Information: The information will be used by NSF to assess the extent to which the results of research that has been supported at IIASA involving US researchers are consistent with the specific outcome goals defined in the context of the NSF Strategic Plan approved by OMB and the Congress, as required by the General Performance and Results Act (GPRA) of 1993. Among NSF's five approved outcome goals, the three that are most relevant to its investments in research at IIASA are: promoting discoveries at and across the frontier of science and engineering; facilitating connections between discoveries and their use in service to society; developing a diverse, globally oriented workforce of scientists and engineers.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 60 minutes per response.

Respondents: Individuals.

Estimated Number of Responses per Form: 120.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 120 hours, broken down by 120 respondents at 1 hour per response.

Frequency of Responses: One time.

Comments

Comments are invited on (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information on respondents, including through the use